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Air Pollution District Advises Public About Smoke Impacts Due to Summit Fire in Santa Cruz Mountains

SAN FRANCISCO – The Bay Area Air Quality Management District is issuing a smoke advisory to residents in the Bay Area due to impacts from the Summit fire in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

The Air District has recorded elevated levels of particulate matter in the Bay Area and is advising the public in areas affected by the smoke to be cautious and limit exposure to the smoky air.

Wind direction shifts on Friday have caused the smoke to impact communities within the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

The public is advised to:

- Reduce exposure to smoky air by remaining indoors with windows and doors closed
- Set air conditioning units and car vent systems to recirculate
- Limit outdoor activities to avoid unnecessary exposure

Elderly persons, children, and individuals with heart or lung disease are particularly susceptible to elevated air pollution levels and should take extra cautions to avoid exposures to the smoke.

The Air District will continue to monitor and measure the smoke impacts in the downwind areas and issue additional advisories as conditions warrant

For more information about smoke impacts please visit: http://www.airquality.org/smokeimpact/.